investigating all the 31 cases of unauthorised constructions, earlier referred to them by this Ministry, on the grounds of constraints of manpower.

On the request of the CBI, this Ministry has taken up the matter with the concerned authorities for creation of a Special Cell in the CBI for exclusively handling such cases of unauthorised constructions in Delhi.

Eviction of Illegal Occupants of Government Quarters and Land at G-Point Gole Dak Khana

†1150. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state;

(a) the details of action taken to evict the illegal occupants of Government quarters and land situated at G- point, Gole Dak Khana, New Delhi;

(b) the reasons for not getting the above quarters and land vacated by Government; and

(c) by when Government will remove the illegal occupations at the said place?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN) : (a) As per the report of the CPWD, 111 numbers of hutments were handed over to CPWD by P&T Department sometime in January, 1986. Another 5 hutments were also proposed to be handed over to CPWD subsequently after their vacation by P & T Deptt. As per the joint survey carried out in March, 2000 by MCD (Slum & JJ Wing) and CPWD, the following encroachments were identified in the plot.

(i) 60 jhuggies on open land.

(ii) Encroachments in 115 hutments comprising of 175 families.

(b) and (c) Encroachments are being reomoved as per the policy of the Gonernment depending upon the priority of requirement of a particular site / land for public purpose, availability of land and funds for resettlement of squatters etc.

Committee on Demolitions at Sainik Farms

1151. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state;

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†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

(a) whether a four-member Committee has been set up to find out whether 80 percent demolitions at Sainik Farms have been completed or the demolitions were done on paper only;

(b) if so, the facts and the details thereof;

(c) whether Government would investigate the matter and propose to take action against erring officials who have deliberately shown demolitions and paper only; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Amendment in the Building Bye-Laws

1152. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government have decided to make amendments in the building Bye-laws in order to ensure that only earthquake resistant buildings are constructed in future;

(b) if so, by when such amendments are likely to be made in the building bye-laws;

(c) whether Government have decided to conduct survey of all the high rise building in the capital which are not earthquake resistant; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA) : (a) and (b) Since building bye-laws is a State subject, any action to amend them, is to be taken by the State Government. However, the Central Goverment has formulated guidelines regarding construction of safer houses which were communicated to the State Governments in May, 1998. They have also been reminded to comply with the guidelines. This Ministry has subsequently requested the States/Union Territories for early action on the Ministry's advice. The Minister for Urban Development and poverty alleviation is also holding a meeting of all State Ministers concerned with the subject so that the matter could be reviewed at the national level and necessary impetus given for effective follow up action.